# Gridiron

### Quilt design by Linda Ambrosini featuring Hoffman Bali Snaps in Breakers & Taffy



BS-508-Breakers



BS-491-Taffy



BBKT 194 18-Royal\*

- \*7/8 yard of BBKT 194 18-Royal for borders and binding
- 1 1/2 yards of fabric of your choice for backing



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Finished Size 37 1/4 x 45"

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### Fabric Requirements:

1 package of Bali Snaps in Breakers (blue) 5 inch squares (#BS-508-Breakers)

1 package of Bali Snaps in Taffy (green) 5 inch squares (#BS-491-Taffy)

7/8 yard of Hoffman BBKT 194 18-Royal for borders and binding

1 ½ yard of your choice of fabric for backing

**Quilt Construction:** This quilt is designed with 1/4 inch seam allowances.

**Block Construction:** This quilt is constructed with half-square triangle blocks with half of the block being a dark fabric and the other half a lighter fabric. Using the 5 inch, pre-cut Snaps this is very simple quilt and gives us a huge variety of colors.

First, sort your 5 inch squares into 3 piles; light, medium and dark values. Next pair the squares up with a lighter and a darker value. Mix the blues and the greens. Sometimes a pair will be from the light and the dark, sometimes a light and a medium and sometimes a medium and a dark. As long as there is value difference the pairing will work.

To create half square triangles take a pair you have set up in the previous step. Draw a diagonal line across the lighter fabric in the pair and have the two fabrics aligned together with right sides together. Pin the pair along the drawn diagonal line to hold them together with all the outside edges matching.

Sew a scant ¼ inch seam parallel to the drawn diagonal line. Repeat this sewing on the opposite side of the diagonal line. Cut your block apart along the drawn line. Open up your newly created block and press the seam allowance towards the darker of the two fabrics.

The sewn blocks need to be "squared up" to exactly 4  $\frac{1}{2}$  inches unfinished size. Make sure your diagonal seam runs directly through the corners when squaring up!

**Sewing Your Blocks:** This quilt is set 8 blocks by 10 blocks, yes we use every single fabric!! Orient your half square triangle so the darker fabric is always facing the top left corner. Arrange the colors so they are pleasing to you. Sew the blocks and then the rows together. Once the rows are sewn, you will need to press the seam allowances between in opposite directions to "nest" them when sewing your rows together.

**Adding Borders:** Cut 4 strips of the border fabric at  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inches by the WOF. Add the side borders first by measuring your quilt length and cutting the border fabric to match. Sew in place. Follow the same procedure for adding the top and bottom borders.

#### **Quilt and Bind**